

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: §
Lior GEPSTEIN et al §
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Cardiac Cells And Tissues And §
Uses Thereof § Attorney Docket: 27395
Examiner: Joanne HAMA §

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ELECTION

Sir:

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Restriction Office Action mailed June 20, 2006, which response is being made on or before August 20, 2006, and for which a one-month extension of time fee is due.

Applicants hereby elect Group IV, namely Claims 176-195, drawn to an *in vitro* culture of human cells which display proliferation and at least one characteristic associated with a cardiac phenotype.

With respect to the cardiac phenotype species requirement, Applicants select:

Cardiac specific electrical activity.

Applicants reserve the right to file, at a later date, additional divisional applications claiming priority from the present application which are directed to the non-elected Group.

Respectfully submitted,

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